

**CLAIMS**

1. A tamper resistant bait station, comprising:

an enclosure for bait accessible to an animal;

a lid securable to the enclosure wherein a lip edge of the lid fits adjacent to a lip edge surrounding a substantial portion of the periphery of the enclosure..

2. The bait station of claim 1, further comprising:

a set of deflection elements;

a set of corresponding retention mechanisms that mechanically embrace the deflection elements when the lid is closed to prevent the lid from opening.

3. The bait station of claim 2, wherein the deflection elements are separated from the embrace of the retention elements by insertion and mechanical motion of a key.

4. The bait station of claim 1, wherein the lid further comprises ridges that prevent substantial lateral shifting of the lid with respect to the enclosure.

5. The bait station of claim 1, wherein a curved surface is formed where an interior bottom surface of the bait station meets an exterior wall of the bait station to form a curved threshold to a doorway in the exterior wall of the station.